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COUNTRY **Poland**

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SUBJECT **Town Plan of Rydgoszcz/Location of Underground Installation of Apparent Military Importance/Location of Other Points of Interest**

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an underground installation which appeared to operate under unusually strict security provisions. the installation was a gunpowder plant ("prochownia"). workers in the plant were physically affected in a number of striking ways; their skin acquired a noticeable red ("ruda") tinea and their hair turned red.

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were relatively high, ranging from 2500 to three thousand zlotys a month.

the labor force was rather large. Only men were employed.

3. The "prochownia" was located in the southern part of the triangle formed by the Ulica Wladyslaw Betz and the road leading to Inowroclaw; in other words, in the southeastern part of Rydgoszcz. The larger part of the triangle appears to be a restricted area and features signs with the legend "Zona Zabroniona" (Forbidden Area). The plant is inside a fenced area; identifications are checked at a gate in the fence. automobile patrols coursed along Ulica Wladyslaw Betz and the Inowroclaw Road. No local trolley or bus lines pass the area. North of the plant is a district known as Osiedle Kepusciaska; a large percentage of the workers in the "prochownia" live in this area.

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4. The industrialization of Rydgoszcz was proceeding at a very rapid rate. a number of factories being constructed in the districts of Kepusciaska Male, Fordonek, and Kepusciaska Dolne - all in the eastern section of the city. There has been an influx of new residents, drawn from nearby villages, and housing is in short supply even though multiple apartment blocks are being constructed in the Fordonek, Kepusciaska Male and Kepusciaska Dolne districts.

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5. A city plan of Bydgoszcz dated 1958. [redacted] 50X1-HUM

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The identification  
or these points is as follows:

- 1) Underground "powder" plant (prochownia).
- 2) Voivodship headquarters building of the Militia (MO).  
This is a large three-story building at Ulica Chodkiewicza 48.
- 3) Militia office at Ulica Chodkiewicza 51; this is a small  
two-story building where passport applications are processed.
- 4) Main railroad station.
- 5) Railroad freight station.
- 6) Railroad station in Kępusziska Mała district. This is a  
small brick building which serves as a passenger and  
freight station. This station is on the edge of a concentrated  
industrial area. There are many shuttle engines in this area.
- 7) Main voivodship hospital (Szpital wojewódzki). It is situated  
at the eastern end of Ulica Chodkiewicza.
- 8) Bridge being built across the Brda River. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
- 9) Single track railroad bridge.
- 10) Single track railroad bridge.
- 11) New industrial construction.
- 12) New industrial construction.
- 13) New industrial construction. 50X1-HUM

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